

**Amendments to the Claims:** This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of processing metal parts and the like by blanking, the method comprising the steps of: performing a first blanking step on a semi-finished product {1} in order to produce a blanked semi-finished product-{20}, and of performing a subsequent processing of the blanked semi-finished product to produce a final product-{30, 40}, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the first blanking step is performed leaving an allowance on the blanked semi-finished product-{20}, and in ~~that~~ the subsequent processing comprises at least one second blanking step by which the allowance is removed from the blanked semi-finished product.
2. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~Claim-claim~~ 1 in which the allowance has a thickness of between 0.1 and 1.0 mm.
3. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~Claim-claim~~ 2 in which the allowance has a thickness of between 0.20 and 0.25 mm.
4. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~one or more of the preceding claims 1~~ in which the subsequent processing comprises a tumbling step after the second blanking step.
5. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~one or more of the preceding claims 1~~ comprising, prior to the first blanking step, the step of coining of the semi-finished product {1} to produce a coined semi-finished product-{10}.
6. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~Claim-claim~~ 5 in which the coined semi-finished product comprises at least a first pair of locating appendages {4a} for locating the coined semi-finished product on a die in order to perform the first blanking step.
7. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~Claim-claim~~ 6 in which the coined semi-finished product comprises a second pair of locating appendages-{4b}, the first pair being removed during the first blanking step and the second pair being removed during the second blanking step.
8. (Currently Amended) A method according to ~~Claim-claim~~ 7 in which the second pair of locating appendages {4b} is positioned on surfaces of the semi-finished product which are to be processed further after the second blanking step and/or which are not in view upon completion of the processing.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~one or more of the preceding~~ claims 1 in which the final product ~~(30, 40)~~ is a portion of a spectacle frame.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The~~ method according to ~~one or more of the preceding~~ claims 1 in which the metal of the semi-finished product is selected from brass, nickel silver, and aluminium.